SWD Clerical Assistant tests positive for COVID-19

The Social Welfare Department (SWD) today (August 20) said that a Clerical Assistant (CA) of Kowloon City Probation and Community Service Orders Office (Sub-office), has tested positive for coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

The CA last performed duties at To Kwa Wan Government Offices on August 10 and Kowloon City Law Courts Building on August 14. During the pandemic, the department has been strictly implementing various disease prevention measures, including measuring the body temperature of people entering the office and providing masks and other personal protective equipment for staff. The CA had been wearing a mask when performing duties. Her body temperature was normal when undergoing temperature screening during work.

A thorough cleaning and disinfection has been arranged at the premises concerned by the SWD and Kowloon City Magistrates' Courts. The SWD will maintain close contact with the Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health to take follow-up action as appropriate.

The SWD is highly concerned about the COVID-19 epidemic. Staff members are reminded to pay attention to personal hygiene and to stay vigilant. They should seek medical advice immediately if feeling unwell.